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Illinois Commerce Commission
State of Illinois Building
160 N. LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60601-3104

Re: Consumers Illinois Water Company - Aroma Park Acquisition Rate Case
ICC Docket Number:

Dear Illinois Commerce Commission:

It is my understanding that the referenced petition will seek to include expansion of CIWC into Limestone Township, Kankakee County, Illinois. This letter is to advise you of groundwater concerns in Limestone Township. The County's concern stems from a November 1988 Shell Oil pipeline leak of unleaded gasoline and a subsequent detection of MTBE in the area's groundwater supply. A copy of the pending lawsuit is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a map that shows the spill site. While this map shows a "water prohibition zone", please understand that this is a proposed zone and that no water prohibition is in effect. There are approximately 250 property owners in this area. Some water mains have been installed since the spill. They are noted on the map as "existing water lines." There may be additional water mains constructed as proposed, but the same is still being negotiated with Defendant Shell Oil (Equillon).

Please call me if you have questions.

Very truly yours,
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Enclosures

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